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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director  
FROM: Director of Central Intelligence  
SUBJECT: Anti-terrorism

1. Can you organize a review of anti-terrorist machinery in the U.S. Government and the need for closer coordination

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[redacted] This machinery is broader in scope than anti-terrorism but seemingly more concentrated on operational matters than our NFIB and NFIC meetings. Something like this has developed at a lower level in the Hickey (Secret Service) Group meetings at the White House arising out of the assassination threats.

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2. As part of this review we should consider whether CIA is properly organized for its anti-terrorist role.

3. I view the establishment of the DI center on instability, insurgency and terrorism and proximity of that with the DO anti-terrorist unit as steps in the right direction. However, I am uneasy about not having a senior person to represent CIA contributions to government-wide activities with high visibility and authority to speak for CIA regularly in this activity. Perhaps a strong NIO could play this role and also cover other territory

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